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HOUSE BILL NO. 460

BY REPRESENTATIVE HUNTER

Prefiled pursuant to Article III, Section 2(A)(4)(b)(i) of the Constitution of Louisiana.

VITAL STATS/BIRTH CERT: Provides with respect to birth certificates

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 9:407, relative to birth certificates; to provide with respect to the signature on  
3 a birth certificate; and to provide for related matters.

4 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

5 Section 1. R.S. 9:407 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

6 §407. Contesting signature on birth certificate

7 An alleged father who has signed the birth certificate of a child may contest  
8 the validity of his signature upon proof, by clear and convincing evidence, that his  
9 signature on the birth certificate was induced by fraud, duress, material mistake of  
10 fact or error, or that he is not the biological parent of the child.

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DIGEST

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**Abstract:** Authorizes an alleged father to contest his signature on a birth certificate in certain circumstances.

Proposed law allows an alleged father who has signed a birth certificate to challenge the validity of his signature upon a showing that the signature was induced by fraud, duress, material mistake of fact or error, or that he is not the biological parent of the child.

(Adds R.S. 9:407)